# DEVELOPMENT OF COMPOSITE FLOUR BASED COOKIES

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## Abbreviation

C.F.B.C

-Composite flour based cookie

M.C.F.B.C

- Composite flour based cookie with germinated finger millet

and green gram

C.F.B.C (W)

- Composite flour based cookie with wheat

PV

- peroxide value

SLS

- Sri Lanka standard

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### Development of Composite flour based cookie

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### **ABSTRACT**

The study was an attempt to introduce composite flour based cookie (without wheat flour) to the people who have wheat allergies, and for those who need more fibre supplement. The cookie was further developed by adding germinated green gram and finger millet ("Kurakkan") which is suitable for the children due to the high amount of simple sugars.

Rice, finger millet and green gram flour are main cereal ingredients and they were used as high nutritional, less costly local cereal flours. Jack fruit seed flour is used as protein source as well as a binder. Composite flour based two cookies were developed and another cookie was prepared by using wheat flour instead of rice flour for the comparison. The chemical compositions, physical properties, keeping quality of the three products were evaluated. Sensory properties (crispiness, mouth feel, taste, color and overall acceptability) were evaluated by using non trained panelists and the prepared samples showed better and agreeable sensory properties than the cookies prepared with wheat flour.

Priority was given for nutritional value, health benefit, cheap local ingredients and the use of minimum flavors and antioxidants. The prepared cookies could have a demand in the Sri Lankan market depending on the customer evaluation. Further research is possible for improvement of the quality and the sensory properties of the product.